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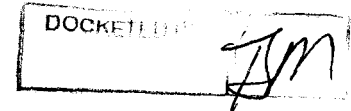
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Chairman Gary Pierce
Arizona Corporation Commission
Commissioners Wing
1200 West Washington
Phoenix, AZ 85007-2996



Re: Application of Tucson Electric Power Company for Approval of its 2011-2012 Energy Efficiency Implementation Plan, Docket No. E-01933A-11-0055

Dear Chairman Pierce and Commissioners:

I am writing to urge you to approve the recommended order of Administrative Law Judge Jane Rodda issued on August 21, 2012, which approves Tucson Electric Power Company's Updated 2011-2012 Energy Efficiency Implementation Plan. I urge the Commission to approve the order as soon as possible to ensure that TEP's residential and business customers have continued and expanded opportunities to save energy and money through TEP's programs.

Tendril is a technology company that currently works with TEP on an innovative program through which TEP customers have access to new "smart" thermostats and other equipment to monitor and save energy. Tendril is also a partner with TEP and the Governor's Office in an innovative project that was recently awarded a \$500,000 US Department of Energy grant. Without approval of TEP's energy efficiency plan, TEP and its customers risk losing the DOE award because TEP must provide matching funds for the grant.

In addition to saving TEP customers money, the new project will create local jobs. For the project we will be using a Tucson-based subcontractor that intends to hire local, currently unemployed, recent college graduates.

Please approve the ALJ's Recommended Order expeditiously to ensure that Tucson residents and businesses continue to benefit from TEP's energy efficiency programs.

Best Regards,

Andrew G. Campbell
Director of State Policy
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